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## COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 14, 2001 NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED

This Communication is submitted in response to the June 14, 2001 Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this June 14, 2001 Notice is due August 14, 2001. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Application indicates that the oath or declaration is missing. Applicants attach hereto a copy of the Notice as **Exhibit A**. In response, applicants submit as **Exhibit B** hereto a signed Declaration and Power of Attorney pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.53(f). In compliance with 37 C.F.R. \$1.63, the Declaration refers to the application's above-identified serial number and filing date.

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The surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) for submitting the enclosed Declaration for a small entity is SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00). Accordingly a check in the amount of SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) is enclosed.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invite the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$65.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any other fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

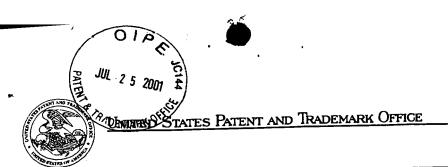
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

• The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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